

In the Specification:

Under the section entitled "Cross Reference to Related Applications", please replace the paragraphs beginning on page 1, line 7 through page 4, line 13, with the following amended paragraphs:

This application claims priority to Provisional Application Serial No. 60/232,938, filed September 15, 2000. Other applications and patents listed below relate to and are useful in understanding various aspects of the embodiments disclosed in the present application. All are incorporated by reference in their entirety.

U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/663,242, "SELECTABLE MODE VOCODER SYSTEM," ~~Attorney Reference Number: 98RSS365CIP (10508.4)~~, filed on Sep. 15, 2000, and now U.S. Pat. No. 6,556,966.

U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/233,043, "INJECTING HIGH FREQUENCY NOISE INTO PULSE EXCITATION FOR LOW BIT RATE CELP," ~~Attorney Reference Number: 00CXT0065D (10508.5)~~.

U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. ~~60,232,939~~ 60/232,939, "SHORT TERM ENHANCEMENT IN CELP SPEECH CODING," ~~Attorney Reference Number: 00CXT0666N (10508.6)~~, filed on Sep. 15, 2000.

U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/233,045, "SYSTEM OF DYNAMIC PULSE POSITION TRACKS FOR PULSE-LIKE EXCITATION IN SPEECH CODING," ~~Attorney Reference Number: 00CXT0573N (10508.7)~~ filed September 15, 2000.

U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/232,958, "SPEECH CODING SYSTEM WITH TIME-DOMAIN NOISE ATTENUATION," ~~Attorney Reference Number: 00CXT0554N (10508.8)~~, filed on Sep. 15, 2000.

U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/233,042, "SYSTEM FOR AN ADAPTIVE EXCITATION PATTERN FOR SPEECH CODING," ~~Attorney Reference Number: 98RSS366 (10508.9)~~, filed on Sep. 15, 2000.

U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/233,046, "SYSTEM FOR ENCODING SPEECH INFORMATION USING AN ADAPTIVE CODEBOOK WITH DIFFERENT RESOLUTION LEVELS," ~~Attorney Reference Number: 00CXT0670N (10508.13)~~, filed on Sep. 15, 2000.

U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/663,837, "CODEBOOK TABLES FOR ENCODING AND DECODING," ~~Attorney Reference Number: 00CXT0669N (10508.14)~~, filed on Sep. 15, 2000, and now U.S. Pat. No. 6,574,593.

U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/662,828, "BIT STREAM PROTOCOL FOR TRANSMISSION OF ENCODED VOICE SIGNALS," ~~Attorney Reference Number: 00CXT0668N (10508.15)~~, filed on Sep. 15, 2000, and now U.S. Pat. No. 6,581,032.

U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/233,044, "SYSTEM FOR FILTERING SPECTRAL CONTENT OF A SIGNAL FOR SPEECH ENCODING," ~~Attorney Reference Number: 00CXT0667N (10508.16)~~, filed on Sep. 15, 2000.

U.S. patent application Ser. No. ~~09/633,734~~ 09/663,734, "SYSTEM FOR ENCODING AND DECODING SPEECH SIGNALS," ~~Attorney Reference Number: 00CXT0665N (10508.17)~~, filed on Sep. 15, 2000, and now U.S. Pat. No. 6,604,070.

U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/663,002, "SYSTEM FOR SPEECH ENCODING HAVING AN ADAPTIVE FRAME ARRANGEMENT," ~~Attorney Reference Number: 98RSS384CIP (10508.18)~~, filed on Sep. 15, 2000, ~~and now U.S. Pat. No. _____~~.

U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/097,569 ~~(Attorney Docket No. 98RSS325)~~, entitled "ADAPTIVE RATE SPEECH CODEC," filed Aug. 24, 1998.

U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/154,675 ~~(Attorney Docket No. 97RSS383)~~, entitled "SPEECH ENCODER USING CONTINUOUS WARPING IN LONG TERM PREPROCESSING," filed Sep. 18, 1998, and now U.S. Pat. No. _____ 6,449,590.

U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/156,649 ~~(Attorney Docket No. 95EO20)~~, entitled "COMB CODEBOOK STRUCTURE," filed Sep. 18, 1998, and now U.S. Pat. No. _____ 6,330,531.

U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/156,648 ~~(Attorney Docket No. 98RSS228)~~, entitled "LOW COMPLEXITY RANDOM CODEBOOK STRUCTURE," filed Sep. 18, 1998, and now U.S. Pat. No. _____ 6,480,822.

U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/156,650 ~~(Attorney Docket No. 98RSS343)~~, entitled "SPEECH ENCODER USING GAIN NORMALIZATION THAT COMBINES OPEN AND CLOSED LOOP GAINS," filed Sep. 18, 1998, and now U.S. Pat. No. _____ 6,260,010.

U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/156,832 ~~(Attorney Docket No. 97RSS039)~~, entitled "SPEECH ENCODER USING VOICE ACTIVITY DETECTION IN CODING NOISE," filed Sep. 18, 1998, ~~and now U.S. Pat. No. _____~~.

U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/154,654 (~~Attorney Docket No. 98RSS344~~), entitled "PITCH DETERMINATION USING SPEECH CLASSIFICATION AND PRIOR PITCH ESTIMATION," filed Sep. 18, 1998, and now U.S. Pat. No. 6,507,814.

U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/154,657 (~~Attorney Docket No. 98RSS328~~), entitled "SPEECH ENCODER USING A CLASSIFIER FOR SMOOTHING NOISE CODING," filed Sep. 18, 1998, and now abandoned U.S. Pat. No. .

U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/156,826 (~~Attorney Docket No. 98RSS382~~), entitled "ADAPTIVE TILT COMPENSATION FOR SYNTHESIZED SPEECH RESIDUAL," filed Sep. 18, 1998, and now U.S. Pat. No. 6,385,573.

U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/154,662 (~~Attorney Docket No. 98RSS383~~), entitled "SPEECH CLASSIFICATION AND PARAMETER WEIGHTING USED IN CODEBOOK SEARCH," filed Sep. 18, 1998, and now U.S. Pat. No. 6,493,665.

U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/154,653 (~~Attorney Docket No. 98RSS406~~), entitled "SYNCHRONIZED ENCODER-DECODER FRAME CONCEALMENT USING SPEECH CODING PARAMETERS," filed Sep. 18, 1998, and now U.S. Pat. No. 6,188,980.

U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/154,663 (~~Attorney Docket No. 98RSS345~~), entitled "ADAPTIVE GAIN REDUCTION TO PRODUCE FIXED CODEBOOK TARGET SIGNAL," filed Sep. 18, 1998, and now U.S. Pat. No. 6,104,992.

U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/154,660 (~~Attorney Docket No. 98RSS384~~), entitled "SPEECH ENCODER ADAPTIVELY APPLYING PITCH LONG-TERM PREDICTION AND PITCH PREPROCESSING WITH CONTINUOUS WARPING," filed Sep. 18, 1998, and now U.S. Pat. No. 6,330,533.